

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING  
October 16, 2006

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETINGS ARE RECORDED ELECTRONICALLY OR STENOGRAPHICALLY AND ARE AVAILABLE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS IN THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES.

Board President Swafford called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:04 p.m. The meeting was held in Conference Room 100B at the Indiana University Research Park at 501 North Morton Street in Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Tom Swafford, Susan Sandberg, Jeff Ehman, Tim Henke and Tim Mayer. Staff members present: Patrick Murphy, John Langley, Michael Horstman, Mike Bengtson, Mike Hicks, Mike Trexler, Adam Wason, Jane Fleig and Tom Staley. Others present: Sue Mayer.

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBER EHMAN MOVED AND BOARD MEMBER SANDBERG SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2ND, MEETING. MOTION CARRIED. 4 AYES, 3 MEMBERS ABSENT, (VAUGHT, WHIKEHART AND ROBERTS).

CLAIMS

BOARDMEMBER EHMAN MOVED AND BOARDMEMBER HENKE SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

CLAIMS 0691468 THROUGH 0691544 INCLUDING \$197,888.05 FROM THE WATER OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND, AND \$3,042.54 FROM THE WATER CONSTRUCTION FUND FOR A TOTAL OF \$200,930.59 FROM THE WATER UTILITY; CLAIMS 0630953 THROUGH 0631004 INCLUDING \$196,661.94 FROM THE WASTEWATER OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND AND \$3,326.08 FROM THE WASTEWATER CONSTRUCTION FUND FOR A TOTAL OF \$199,988.02 FROM THE WASTEWATER UTILITY; AND CLAIM 0670070 THROUGH CLAIM 0670068 FOR A TOTAL OF \$3,725.99 FROM THE WASTEWATER/ STORMWATER UTILITY. TOTAL CLAIMS APPROVED - \$404,644.60.

Board member Ehman pointed out that claim number 0691537 is for an inspection report on the Lake Griffy Dam. He asked that the report be forwarded to Steve Cotter in Parks and Recreation. Board member Henke asked that it be sent to all the USB members as well.

MOTION CARRIED. 4 AYES, 3 MEMBERS ABSENT, (VAUGHT, WHIKEHART AND ROBERTS).

WIRE TRANSFERS AND FEES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2006:

BOARD MEMBER HENKE MOVED AND BOARD MEMBER SANDBERG SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE WIRE TRANSFERS AND FEES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2006 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$833,846.28.

MOTION CARRIED. 4 AYES. 3 MEMBERS ABSENT (VAUGHT, WHIKEHART AND ROBERTS).

## DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FROM SHOWERS ROOM 210:

Utilities Director Murphy explained that IU had asked the Utilities Department to vacate room 210 at North Showers. Because there is no plan to re-use the furniture in the new facility he requested that it be declared surplus so it can be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Board member Henke asked if Utilities would receive a rent reduction when room 210 is vacated. Mr. Murphy said that that would be the case.

Board member Mayer suggested that United Way also be given the opportunity to acquire some of the furniture. Utilities Director Murphy said that whoever is willing to come and remove the furniture would be given priority.

BOARD MEMBER SANDBERG MOVED AND BOARD MEMBER HENKE SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FROM SHOWERS ROOM 210. MOTION CARRIED. 4 AYES. 3 MEMBERS ABSENT. (VAUGHT, WHIKEHART AND ROBERTS)

## OLD BUSINESS:

No old business was presented.

## NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was presented.

## SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Board President Swafford reported that there had been an Administrative Subcommittee meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup>. There were two requests.

The first was from Pliant Corporation. They asked for the Summer Sewer Average rate because they had used significant quantities of water to cool outside cooling equipment. Because the Rules and Regulations state that the Summer Sewer Average only applies to residential services the Administrative Subcommittee recommended that Pliant's request be denied.

The second request was irrelevant because the petitioner had already paid the bill they were asking for credit on. The recommendation was for denial.

BOARD MEMBER EHMAN SECONDED THE DENIAL MOTIONS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED. 4 AYES. 3 MEMBERS ABSENT. (VAUGHT, WHIKEHART AND ROBERTS.)

## STAFF REPORTS:

Budget Analyst Trexler passed out the fund balance summary. He also highlighted the hard work of Associate Accountant Missy Walden who set a goal to get everything posted and the periods closed within 45 days of the end of the period. As of now she is accomplishing that within 20 days of the end of the period. That is a vast improvement over previous years. He complimented her on her great work along with other members of the accounting staff.

Mr. Trexler pointed out that the July fund balance summary had also been passed out because there is a correction in it. He also said that in September the waste water sinking fund shows a larger than

usual balance because there was a bond payment coming up for October. There is also a new fund listed. It's the Storm Water Construction Fund. That is where the bond proceeds for the 2006 storm water bond projects are kept. The reason that this fund has only just been set up is because the money has been invested and it was necessary to wait until it became available.

Board member Henke asked that Mr. Trexler also update the report on Extensions and Replacements.

Assistant Director of Engineering Bengtson reminded the USB that there had been a discussion about not wanting to continue the Danis contract for Monroe Water Treatment Plant upgrades into 2007. He has asked the engineer to determine the value of not painting the interior of the backwash tank which is the only major component that is still undone. It seems unlikely that suitable conditions for painting will occur before the spring of 2007. Mr. Bengtson is hoping to be able to negotiate credit for this portion of the project. He said that the exterior looks very good.

#### PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no petitions or communications.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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L. Thomas Swafford, President